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REMARKS

In the office action mailed May 6, 2004, the claims were divided into two groups, Group I, claims 1-6, 13, and 14 drawn to compositions; and Group II, claims 7-12 and 15-25, drawn to methods of targeted mutagenesis.

In response, Applicant elects Group II, claims 7-12 and 15-25, without traverse.

Claims 1-6, 13, and 14 have been canceled.

Claims 7, 15, and 24 have been amended to more clearly define the method steps (i.e., the nucleic acid hybridizes; the person provides the nucleic acid). Support for the amendments can be found, for example, at page 7, lines 5-7 and 12-17 of the specification.

Applicant reserves all rights in the canceled claims to file divisional and continuation patent applications.

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Allowance of claims 7-12 and 15-25 is respectfully solicited.

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